ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution requesting \$1,240,422 for operating expenses for the period from March 1, 2001 through September 30, 2001,

\$2,199,621 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002, and \$940,522 for operating expenses for the period from October 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 107th Congress.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 39 public bills, H.R. 727–765; 2 private bills, H.R. 766–767; and 18 resolutions, H.J. Res. 22; H. Con. Res. 39–43, and H. Res. 57–68 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No reports were filed today.

Recess: The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H415

Joint Committee on Taxation: Read a letter from Chairman Thomas wherein he transmitted the Committee on Ways and Means designation of the following members to serve on the Joint Committee on Taxation for the 107th Congress: Representatives Thomas, Crane, Shaw, Rangel, and Stark.

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International Conference Meetings and Negotiation Sessions on Trade Agreements: In the letter previously noted, Chairman Thomas also forwarded the Committee on Ways and Means recommendation of members to serve as official advisors for international meetings and trade agreement negotiating sessions. Subsequently, the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members to be accredited by the President as Official Advisors to the United States Delegations to international conferences, meetings, and negotiation sessions relating to trade agreements during the first Session of the 107th Congress: Representatives Thomas, Crane, Shaw, Rangel, and Levin.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following suspensions: H. Res. 54, commending African American Pioneers in Colorado (suspension);

Honoring the Late Dale Earnhardt: H. Res. 57, recognizing and honoring Dale Earnhardt and expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to his family on his death; Pages H416–22, H429

Recognition of Dr. Dorothy Height, Valiant Advocate and Crusader for Human Rights: H. Res. 55, expressing the sense of the House of Representa-

tives that there should be established a day of celebration in honor of Dr. Dorothy Irene Height;

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Honoring the Soldiers Killed by Iraqi Missile Attack and Supporting Missile Defense Programs: H. Con. Res. 39, honoring the ultimate sacrifice made by 28 United States soldiers killed by an Iraqi missile attack on February 25, 1991, during Operation Desert Storm, and resolving to support appropriate and effective theater missile defense programs (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 395 yeas with none voting "nay" and 2 voting "present", Roll No. 16.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Cuba: Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted his message concerning the National Emergency with Respect to Cuba—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–47).

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 63, electing Representative Engel to the Committee on International Relations.

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Commemoration of the Days of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 14, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, February 28.

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Recess: The House recessed at 5:34 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m. Page H431

President Bush's Address to the Joint Session of Congress: President George W. Bush delivered his message to a joint session of Congress. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Armey, DeLay, Watts of Oklahoma, Cox, Gephardt, Bonior, Frost, and Menendez and Senators Lott, Nickles, Santorum, Hutchison of Texas, Craig, Frist, Stevens, Gramm,

McConnell, Snowe, Gregg, Daschle, Reid, Mikulski, Dorgan, Kerry, Rockefeller, Murray, Durbin, Boxer, Breaux, and Bill Nelson of Florida. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 107–1).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on page H430. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, subcommittee assignments, rules of procedure for the 107th Congress; to be followed by hearings to examine statutes of conservation programs in the current farm bill, 9 a.m., SR–328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for defense health programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, subcommittee assignments, and rules of procedure for the 107th Congress, 10:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, subcommittee assignments, and rules of procedure for the 107th Congress, 2 p.m., SD–215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain revenue proposals within the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2002, 2:30 p.m., SD–215.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Mark A. Weinberger, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, 4:30 p.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, 10:45 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the report of the Independent Task Force cosponsored by the Council on Foreign Relations and the Center for Strategic and International Studies on State Department Reform, 11 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses, subcommittee assignments, and rules of procedure for the 107th Congress, 9:30 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses; to be followed by hearings to receive the views of the Department of the Interior on matters of Indian Affairs, 9 a.m., SR–485.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings on intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to resume markup of an original bill to amend title 11, United States Code, relating to bankruptcy reform, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration: organizational business meeting to consider pending committee business, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: to hold hearings to examine Plan Colombia and to make an initial assessment of the current drug situation, including human rights issues, future budget needs, Embassy staffing issues, potential for regional spillover, and any associated time lines and goals, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Small Business: organizational business meeting to consider proposed legislation requesting funds for the committee's operating expenses and rules of procedure for the 107th Congress, 9 a.m., SR–428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., 345, Cannon Building.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to review federal farm commodity programs with the American Farm Bureau Federation, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, to hold an organizational meeting, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following: H.R. 90, Know Your Caller Act of 2001; H.R. 496, Independent Telecommunications Consumer Enhancement Act of 2001; H.R. 624, to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote organ donation; H. Con. Res. 31, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the importance of organ, tissue, bone marrow, and blood donation and supporting National Donor Day; H.R. 727, to amend the Consumer Product Safety Act to provide that low-speed electric bicycles are consumer products subject to such Act; H.R. 725, Made in America Information Act; H.R. 724, authorizing appropriations to carry out part B of title I of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, relating to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; and H.R. 723, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to remove separate treatment or exemption for nuclear safety violations by nonprofit institutions, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.